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SUBJECT:PRIME MINISTER MANLEY'S PARTICIPATION IN PANAMA
CEREMONIES JUNE 16

REF: (A) KINGSTON 4535, (B) STATE 143754, (C) STATE 14622,
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1. THE AMBASSADOR MAY DRAW ON PARA 6 OF REFTEL B AND
PARA 4 REFTEL C SHOULD PRIME MINISTER MANLEY REQUEST A
BILATERAL MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT DURING THE PANAMA
CEREMONIES.

2. WITH REGARD TO MANLEY'S MINI-SUMMIT, WE CONTINUE TO
BELIEVE THAT EXISTING UN FORA AND OTHER MECHANISMS,
INCLUDING UNGA COMMITTEE OF WHOLE AND ON GOING
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NEGOTIATIONS IN NUMEROUS FORA, ARE THE MOST EFFECTIVE
PRESENT MEANS FOR CONDUCTING DIALOGUE ON NORTH/SOUTH
ISSUES. WE ALSO NOTE THAT THE PRESIDENT SUGGESTED AND
PEREZ AGREED THAT UNDER SECRETARY COOPER UNDERTAKE A
NUMBER OF CONSULTATIONS ON NORTH/SOUTH ISSUES WITH
REPRESENTATIVES OF KEY LDC'S. THIS HE HAS DONE AND WE
EXPECT HE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT PRIVATE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS, ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED BY PRESIDENT CARTER, AT ALL LEVELS, PERHAPS INCLUDING HEAD OF STATE, COULD BE HELPFUL-IN

FINDING MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS TO NORTH/SOUTH ECONOMIC ISSUES. THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO HOLD A MEETING INVOLVING HEADS OF STATE COULD ONLY BE DETERMINED AFTER LOWER LEVEL CONSULTATIONS HAD SUGGESTED WHETHER THIS WOULD BE USEFUL AND AFTER CONSIDERATION HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE QUESTION OF HOW AND UNDER WHOSE AUSPICES SUCH A MEETING MIGHT BEST TAKE PLACE IF IT WERE HELD; AND WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE. VANCE

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